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FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Sir:

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a), applicant hereby petitions for a three-month extension of time to respond to the Examiner's Action dated October 15, 1996. With the extension, a response is due on or before Tuesday, April 15, 1997. A check in the amount of \$465.00, in payment of the fee required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(c), is enclosed herewith.

The Commissioner is authorized to charge any additional fees that may be due, or to credit overpayment of

377 m. Gaz22747 §3452658 1. 217 - 735,00 m. same, to Deposit Account No. 06-1075. A duplicate copy of this Petition is enclosed herewith.

Respectfully submitted,

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